

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6817  
SECDEF WASHDC  
INFO USCINCEUR  
CHUSMTM DHAHRAN

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SECDEF FOR OSD/ISA/DSAA/SA

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, SA, US  
SUBJ: COASTAL DEFENSE SURVEY

REF: (A) STATE 1217, (B) 76 STATE 306416

1. CHUSMTM HAS DISCUSSED THE DEPARTMENT'S THINKING ON COASTAL DEFENSE WITH MINDEF PRINCE SULTAN.
2. PRINCE SULTAN SAID THAT HE WAS AWARE OF THE AMERICAN APPROACH TO COASTAL DEFENSE THAT CALLS FOR MAXIMUM USE OF EXISTING AND PROJECTED ARMED FORCES OPERATING JOINTLY FOR DEFENSE OF COAST LINES. SULTAN SAID HIS THOUGHTS WERE THE SAME.
3. SULTAN ALSO SAID THAT MODA HAS RECEIVED RECOMMENDATIONS ON COASTAL DEFENSE FROM THE BRITISH AND FRENCH BUT THAT HE DEFINITELY WANTED AN IMPARTIAL STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE US WHICH WOULD QUOTE LOOK AT THE BEST WAY TO DEFEND OUR NOW UNDEFENDED SHORES AS OPPOSED TO LOOKING ONLY AT THE SALE OF EQUIPMENT UNQUOTE.

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4. WE HOPE THAT THE SURVEY TEAM WILL BE COMPOSED AND THAT IT ARRIVE AS RECOMMENDED, AND THAT INITIALLY AT LEAST IT WILL ENDEAVOR AVOID DISCUSSION ABOUT SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT.
- PORTER

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